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S E C R E T SALT TWO GENEVA 1270

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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON FEBRUARY 26 LUNCHEON (SALT TWO - 385)

REF: SALT TWO GENEVA 1257

1. OUR LUNCH TODAY PRODUCED NO SURPRISES. IN LONG PRESENTATION TO ME FROM TYPEWRITTEN NOTES, SEMENOV STRONGLY URGED DRAFTING OF TREATY ARTICLES ON LESS CONTROVERSIAL MATTERS AS MEANS OF MOVING TOWARD AGREEMENT ON MORE DIFFICULT QUESTIONS, WHICH I OF COURSE REJECTED. HE AND SOME (BUT NOT ALL) MEMBERS SOVDEL ALSO PUSHED ON THEIR FBS POSITION. IN NOTING THE FRESH ELEMENTS IN OUR POSITION (IMPLIEDLY IN CONTRAST TO SOV BOILER PLATE) AND ENCOURAGING SOV QUESTIONS FOR AMPLIFICATION, I TRIED VERY HARD TO ENCOURAGE HIM GIVE ME SOME OPPORTUNITY FOR MAKING CLARIFICATION OUR POSITION ON INCLUSION OF BOMBERS IN AGGREGATE NON-MIRVED THROW-WEIGHT AND WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER SLBM MIRVS, BUT HE GAVE ME NO CHOICE BUT TO DRAG IT IN BY THE HEELS, WHICH I DECIDED NOT TO DO.

2. I AVOIDED ENTERING INTO ANY DISCUSSION ON FBS AND STRESSED TO HIM THE IMPORTANCE IN USING LIMITED TIME AVAILABLE TO DOING  
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ALL POSSIBLE TO GIVE MOSCOW A THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF ALL

CONCEPTS WE WERE PUTTING FORWARD. I SAID I COULD MAKE ADDITIONAL SPEECHES ON SUBJECT, BUT MUCH PREFERRED TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH AMPLIFICATIONS AND ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS THAT THEY MIGHT FEEL USEFUL AND WAS PREPARED TO DO SO IN ANY WAY HE FELT MOST HELPFUL-- THAT IS, FORMAL STATEMENTS AT MEETINGS, INFORMAL EXCHANGES BETWEEN DELEGATION MEMBERS AT MEETINGS, PRIVATE SESSIONS BETWEEN OURSELVES AFTER MEETINGS OR PRIVATE SESSIONS OUTSIDE THE MEETINGS CONTEXT. HE SAID HE WOULD CONSIDER AND LET ME KNOW.

3. HIGHLIGHTS OVER CONVERSATIONS FOLLOW SEPTEL.

4. ALL AMERICANS PRESENT MADE SURE THAT ALL SOVS WENT HOME WITH MESSAGE THAT OUR PRESENTATION ON MIRVED ICBMS TODAY WAS IMPORTANT AND FUNDAMENTAL AND SHOULD BE GIVEN "PRIORITY CONSIDERATION."

5. INCIDENTALLY, IT WAS MOST HELPFUL TO HAVE IN BACKGROUND STATE 37751, 37778 AND 37781, WHOSE ARRIVAL WAS VERY TIMELY.  
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